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Examiner has rejected claim 1-10, and said claims are hereby canceled.

Examiner states that claims 11-12 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 11 has been rewritten to include all of the limitations of previous base claim 1 and is now in condition for allowance. Claim 12 is now dependent upon allowable claim 11; therefore, it is also now in condition for allowance.

Examiner has allowed claims 13-20 as written.

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In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the application, as amended, is now in condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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